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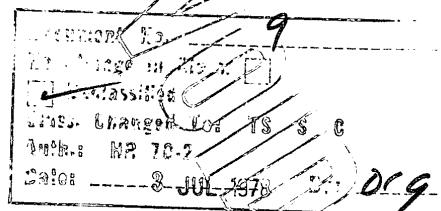
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1. The Militia at Braila has begun a systematic persecution of Jewish emigrants to Israel who pass through that city en route to Constanta. Each week approximately ten passports arrive in Braila for delivery to emigrants. Before delivery of such passports the living quarters of the emigrants are invaded and carefully searched for foreign currency. If none is found, the emigrants are arrested and tortured to secure the desired confessions. The emigrants are thereafter robbed of their possessions and forced to sign statements to the effect that they have been well-treated by the Rumanian authorities, after which they are given their passports.
2. This systematic ill-treatment of Jewish emigrants is directed by the Chief of the Militia in Braila, who was formerly a waiter in the Metropol restaurant in Galati, and his assistant, one Commissar Abramovici.

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